

**TOWN/UNIVERSITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, October 10, 2006
Town of Mansfield
Council Chambers**

Minutes

Present: T. Callahan, J. Bell-Elkins, R. Hudd, A.J. Papanikou, G. Zimmer,

Staff: M. Hart, G. Padick, C. van Zelm

1. Opportunity for Public to Address the Committee

None.

2. September 18, 2006 Meeting Minutes

No minutes were taken for the September 18, 2006 meeting.

3. Update re: Mansfield Downtown Partnership

Ms. van Zelm discussed the recent Festival on the Green, which was very successful. She also mentioned that the development team was still working on a map and related regulations for the special design district, and hoped to present those items to town staff in the late fall. Also, the partnership's board of directors and planning and design team will hold a joint presentation on October 24 to review the most recent design concepts for the project.

Mr. Zimmer asked whether we could combine the Festival on the Green with UConn Homecoming? The festival planning committee will consider that suggestion.

4. Mansfield Housing Code

Mr. Hart reported that the town's new housing inspection program was proceeding as planned, and that staff had already conducted a number of inspections and issued rental certificates. Also, the Town Council has passed an Ordinance Regarding Landlord Registration, which will require all non-resident landlords (not living on the rental

property) to register their address with the town. This ordinance will assist the town in tracking rental units and changes in ownership.

5. Center for Off-Campus Services

Ms. Bell-Elkins reported that the university has established a search committee for this position and that the committee plans to conduct the recruitment this fall.

6. Community/Campus Partnership

Ms. Bell-Elkins reported that the partnership had been awarded a grant of \$50,000 from the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS). The grant funds will be targeted for peer education. Also, the partnership is working to enhance its website and to conduct a summit with interested legislators.

7. UConn Water and Wastewater Systems Master Plan

Mr. Callahan reported that the selection committee had recommended a combined team from the firms of Milone & McBroom Associates and Tighe & Bond to conduct the master plan. The university hopes to execute a contract shortly.

Mr. Zimmer asked if the study would look at other areas of the town, such as the Four Corners? The study will examine certain key areas of town, such as the Four Corners, where it would potentially make sense to provide public water and sewer service.

8. Other Business

None.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew W. Hart
Town Manager